

WJZ-TV  
Baltimore, Maryland  
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QUARTERLY SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS REPORT  
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to CBS Corporation, is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

#### PROGRAM INDEX

##### CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

##### HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's medical reporter, Kellye Lynn, discusses health issues and interviews experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

##### SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

##### PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

##### ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

#### **HEALTH**

October 1: Eyewitness News did a story on the food choices that are good for the heart.

October 2: Eyewitness News did a story on the dangers of huffing – inhaling chemicals

October 3: Eyewitness News did a story on how implant able defibrillators are saving lives.

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story on whether pregnant women should eat fish, how mercury can harm the developing fetus.

October 6: Eyewitness News did a story on the Diabetes Walk and how the money raised is benefiting people on dialysis.

October 9: Eyewitness News did a story on why it's necessary to get the pneumonia vaccine this year.

October 9: Eyewitness News did a story on detecting breast cancer through the advances of digital mammography.

October 10: Eyewitness News did a story on alcoholism.

October 11: Eyewitness News did a story on breast cancer treatment options.

October 16: Eyewitness News did a story on how a Baltimore City school is tackling obesity with technology.

October 17: Eyewitness News did a story on type one diabetes.

October 18: Eyewitness News did a story on the effect that music can have on the body.

October 19: Eyewitness News did a story on the problems of Viagra and similar medications.

October 24: Eyewitness News did a story on a new nasal flu vaccine for kids.

October 25: Eyewitness News did a story on how Baltimore doctors are using surgery to repair flat feet.

October 26: Eyewitness News did a story on the psychological effects of cancer.

October 29: Eyewitness News did a story on testing kids for autism.

October 30: Eyewitness News did a story on how needy cancer patients are benefiting from an unusual local fundraiser.

October 31: Eyewitness News did a story on how patients at Shock Trauma are improving after using a Japanese relaxation technique.

November 1: Eyewitness News did a story on how to lose weight with the help of a computer.

November 2: Eyewitness News did a story on a new therapy for breast cancer patients.

November 5: Eyewitness News did a story on the link between Aspirin and Ibuprofen and Parkinson's disease.

November 6: Eyewitness News did a story on a new heart pump.

November 7: Eyewitness News did a story on new vaccine to quit smoking.

November 8: Eyewitness News did a story on sign language and babies.

November 9: Eyewitness News did a story on a new high-tech rehabilitation device for stroke victims.

November 12: Eyewitness News did a story on how lifting weights is a great way to stay in shape.

November 14: Eyewitness News did a story on how the members of the Food and Drug Administration are considering letting pharmacists prescribe some medications.

November 15: Eyewitness News did a story on a possible new breast cancer vaccine.

November 16: Eyewitness News did a story on why drinking alcohol during pregnancy harms the developing fetus.

November 19: Eyewitness News did a story on Alzheimer's disease.

November 20: Eyewitness News did a story on stem cells.

November 21: Eyewitness News did a story on low bone density in children.

November 26: Eyewitness News did a story on serious back problems in adults.

November 27: Eyewitness News did a story on cosmetic surgery.

November 28: Eyewitness News did a story on the flu and pneumonia shots.

December 3: Eyewitness News did a story on using vitamin C to treat cancer.

December 4: Eyewitness News did a story on migraine headaches..

December 6: Eyewitness News did a story on how a Baltimore County School is helping students with special needs drum their way to success.

December 10: Eyewitness News did a story on tonsils.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on a new grant for the Hopkins School of Public Health.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on the cholesterol drug Mevacor.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on cold laser therapy.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on retired NFL players getting joint replacement surgeries at a local hospital.

December 12: Eyewitness News did a story on posttraumatic stress disorders for soldiers.

December 12: Eyewitness News did a story on the French woman who received a face transplant.

December 13: Eyewitness News did a story on a Lung Transplant at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

December 13: Eyewitness News did a story on pregnancy and balance.

December 13: Eyewitness News did a story on caesarian sections.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on whether olive oil is the healthiest choice.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on a new contraceptive.

December 17: Eyewitness News did a story on fatal heart attacks.

December 18: Eyewitness News did a story on the flu outbreak in Baltimore.

December 18: Eyewitness News did a story on safer chemotherapy.

December 18: Eyewitness News did a story on smoking and hair loss.

December 19: Eyewitness News did a story on kidney transplants.

December 19: Eyewitness News did a story on bone density

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on a medical breakthrough that could replace stitches.

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on Dysmorphic Disorder.

December 24: Eyewitness News did a story on ways to cut calories during the holidays.

December 26: Eyewitness News did a story on new breast cancer research.

December 27: Eyewitness News did a story on Prostate Cancer

December 27: Eyewitness News did a story on high blood pressure.

December 28: Eyewitness News did a story on autistic children and helping them fit in.

December 28: Eyewitness News did a story on the link between worrying and heart disease.

## ON TIME

October 7: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Jean Warner, Breast Imaging Specialist from the University of Maryland Medical Center about the benefits of digital mammography over traditional film mammography. Digital mammography offers more detailed images of the breast leading to earlier detection of cancer.

October 7: The Baltimore City Cancer Program helps city residents without health insurance get cancer screenings from mammography to prostate screenings. Dr. Stacy Garrett-Ray and Rhonda Boozer tell Kai Jackson how their screening program has found 66 cancers that would have been undetected in patients because of their lack of healthcare. In addition to screenings, their program also pays for cancer treatments.

October 7: Avis Halberstadt, the chair of Komen Maryland Race for the Cure tells Kai Jackson how her cancer came back while she was organizing this year's 15<sup>th</sup> annual event. She discusses how her treatments have not prevented her from carrying out her duties as chairman of the race.

October 14: Don Scott talks with Dr. Shawn Robinson and Augie Chiasera about heart disease and the American Heart Association's program to get more Americans to walk and eat healthy. They discuss symptoms of heart disease and how physical activity can reverse damage done to the heart.

October 14: Alzheimer's Disease is more than just losing your memory. It's a deterioration of the brain where the body is unable to function and eventually it leads to death. Cass Naugle, the executive director of Maryland's Alzheimer's Association tells Don Scott how drug trials are making some progress in halting the progression of the disease.

October 21: Breast Cancer survivors Jennifer Patrizio and Jennifer Tisch along with photographer Bob Strickland started Art for Cure as a means to raise funds for breast cancer and other cancer programs. Their inaugural piece, Life Blooms, combines Bob's flower photographer with Jennifer's prose in an original poster and calendar that benefits the Maryland Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

November 4: Kai Jackson talks with Adam Brickner, Ledonia Kimball and Colleen Creighton about the problem of school age children and inhalants. They discuss a new initiative to educate parents as to the dangers of inhalants and the need to talk with children about this type of drug abuse.

November 4: Prematurity continues to be a major problem in Maryland and in Baltimore specifically. Dr. Robert Atlas, the chairman of Mercy Medical Centers OB/GYN program tells Kai Jackson what women need to do health wise to increase the likelihood of having a baby go full term as opposed to delivering prematurely. He discusses the health problems of babies born too soon.

November 11: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Harolyn Belcher, the director of the Family Center at Kennedy Krieger Institute about her program that treats children who are the victims of a trauma. Her trauma patients have experienced violence in the home – from domestic violence to homicide. Without quality mental health intervention, these children will have difficulties throughout their entire lives. Left untreated these children are more likely to drop out of school, and exhibit asocial behaviors.

November 11: African Americans are at a higher risk to develop strokes than other ethnic groups. Michelle Greer has become an ambassador for the stroke awareness program and tells Kai Jackson how her husband's death at a very early age from a stroke prompted her into action.

November 18: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Janice Stevenson and Dr. Harolyn Belcher about mental illness in children and young people. They discuss symptoms associated with different types of mental illness and treatment options. They examine how recent school shootings from Columbine to Virginia Tech can be avoided if parents, teachers and the community recognize troubling symptoms and insist on getting help.

November 25: With World AIDS Day approaching, Kai Jackson talks with Vic Basile and Kelly Curran about local and global HIV AIDS programs. They tell Kai what their respective organizations do to address the issues surrounding this disease.

December 2: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Stephen Schimpff, retired CEO of the University of Maryland Medical Center who wrote the book "The Future of Medicine: Megatrends in Health Care that will Improve Your Life" about how new technology is advancing health care. Nano technology and biogenics are changing the face of medicine - from tiny heart pacemakers to drugs designed for individuals based on their gene makeup.

December 9: Dr. Surina Ann Jordan tells Kai Jackson that she wrote her book, "Got Cancer? Congratulations" after her husband was diagnosed. She discussed how they changed their eating habits by including more raw vegetables and fruits into their diets.

December 16: Kai Jackson talks with holistic nutritionist Dr. Surina Jordan about healthy eating over the holidays. She discusses how to use health substitutes in place of white flour, sugar and butter. She also offers tips from planning ahead and not going hungry to parties as coping options.

December 30: Jean Parrish wrote "The Garden of Life and Health" after caring for her mother who was suffering from a debilitating disease. As a professional caregiver, she found that compiling medical records and legal documents in advance of life threatening illnesses would have made it easier to handle her mother's illness. She tells Kai Jackson how a book like hers can be used by anyone at anytime in his or her life.

December 30 :New Years resolutions should include a plan to eat healthy and exercise. Kai Jackson talks with fitness expert Monte Sanders who is an ambassador for the American Heart Association about the need for a daily exercise program. His cardio workouts can be done by anyone and completed within 30 minutes.

## **EDUCATION**

October 1: Eyewitness News did a story on a new law that will not allow students who are chronically absent from school to get a learner's permit.

October 2: Eyewitness News did a story about contract negotiations for Baltimore City teachers.

October 3: Eyewitness News did a story about the slots debate and education money in Maryland.

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story about seven local schools being awarded a blue ribbon from the Department of Education

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story about a possible hate crime at Galluadet University.

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story about poor graduation rates for the University of Maryland basketball team.

October 5: Eyewitness News did a story about Howard County schools banning all beverages from football games.

October 9: Eyewitness News did a story on school staph infections.

October 11: Eyewitness News did a story about a controversial new sex education program.

October 12: Eyewitness News did a story on how Carroll County schools were locked down because of phone threats.

October 19: Eyewitness News did a story on the 60th anniversary for the Chimes school for developmentally disabled children.

October 22: Eyewitness News did a story on a new parent community response center that informs parents about school related concerns.

October 25: Eyewitness News did a story about new developments in the stalemate between city teachers and the school board.

October 26: Eyewitness News did a story on how the Labor Commissioner is trying to broker a deal between the city teachers and the school board.

October 28: Eyewitness News did a story about a plea to congress from Maryland doctors to make school lunches healthier.

November 1: Eyewitness News did a story on a new study that finds the more educated you are, the less likely you are to become chronically ill or disabled.

November 8: Eyewitness News did a story about the dangerous levels of lead that have turned up in school water fountains in Baltimore City.

November 13-14: Eyewitness News did a story on how twenty-eight girls were arrested and charged with assault after a football game.

November 19: Eyewitness News did a story about how the US Secretary of Transportation asked for new standards that would promote greater safety in student busing.

November 29: Eyewitness News did a story about how the University of Baltimore Law school is teaming up with Iraq's Tikrit School of Law.

December 4: Eyewitness News did a story on racial harassment at Kent Island High School.

December 7: Eyewitness News did a story on a woman attacked by several middle school students.

December 10: Eyewitness News did a story on healthy school lunches.

December 10: Eyewitness News did a story on a Montgomery County teacher who died from MRSA.

December 10: Eyewitness News did a story on the renovation project at Carver Vo Tech High School.

December 10: Eyewitness News did a story on a threat at Kent County High School.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on State Education Superintendent Nancy Grasmick.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on metal detectors at schools.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on a security threat at four Allegany County Schools.

December 12: Eyewitness News did a story on a security threat at Frostburg State University.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on more students seeking a college education.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on a new website to help students.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on students who pull all-nighters before exams.

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on blue ribbon schools in the area.

December 26: Eyewitness News did a story on Montgomery County Schools giving students a break on college prep testing.

December 27: Eyewitness News did a story on college tuition costs.

December 28: Eyewitness News did a story on special education for kids.

#### ON TIME

October 28: Illiteracy continues to be a significant problem here in Maryland. Helene Waranch tells Kai Jackson how not being able to read impacts everyday life and can bring about premature death to those who can't read or write.

#### COMMUNITY

October 1: Eyewitness News sponsored the Great Strides against Prostate Cancer Run.

October 14: Eyewitness News sponsored the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

November 23-25: Eyewitness News sponsored Kennedy Krieger Institute's Festival of Trees.

December 1: Eyewitness News provided extensive coverage of the Army/Navy game held at M&T Bank Stadium.

December 31: Eyewitness News sponsored the New Year's Eve celebration in Baltimore.

#### ON TIME

October 21: Chesapeake Habitat for Humanity purchases vacant buildings in Baltimore City, renovates them with the help of volunteers and offers them to low income residents who would otherwise not be able to afford to purchase a home. Maggie Tindall and Cynthia Payne talk to Kai Jackson about the process and how difficult it has been for the organization to find affordable vacant houses for their program.

October 21: Barkstoberfest is a Halloween-themed event for dog owners at Patterson Park. Jennifer Mead-Brause tells Kai Jackson about this fundraiser for the Baltimore Animal Rescue and Care Shelter. Since their incorporation several years ago, they have reduced the number of animals being euthanized by fifty percent.

October 28: Kai Jackson talks with Ted Provenza, a certified estate planner, about steps everyone needs to do now in order to prepare for retirement. They discuss the Social Security situation – that funding will run out in eleven years unless changes are made to the program and the growing number of baby boomers who are retiring and living longer.

November 18: Kai Jackson continues talking with experts about what happens when children with mental illness do not get treatment. Katy O'Donnell and Michael Morrissette, both with the Public Defenders Office talk about how mental illness is often the problem with people on trial for capital cases and death-row inmates.

December 2: Tracy Baskerville tells Kai Jackson about the upcoming holiday season events being planned by the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts. She discusses the lighting of the Washington Monument and the city's New Year's Eve festivities.

#### ART AND CULTURE

October 2: Eyewitness News did a story on Free Fall Baltimore at the Pratt Library.

October 3: Eyewitness News did a story on BSO Conductor Marin Alsop.

October 3: Eyewitness News did a story on the Columbus Day Parade.

October 6: Eyewitness News did a story on the Maryland Zoo.

October 10: Eyewitness News did a story on the National Aquarium's Water on Wheels program.

October 11: Eyewitness News did a story on the powerboat show.

October 12: Eyewitness News did a story on the Maryland Millions Horse race.

October 17: Eyewitness News did a story on the play Hairspray and its Baltimore (and WJZ) roots.

October 20: Eyewitness News did a story on the Home and Garden Show.

October 21: Eyewitness News did a story on the Beaux Arts Fair at the Maryland Historical Society.

October 23: Eyewitness News did a story on the Bravo! Fundraiser for Breast Cancer programs at LifeBridge Health.

October 23: Eyewitness News did a story on the African Doll exhibit.

October 25: Eyewitness News did a story on the Ace of Cakes chef Duff Goldman.

October 26: Eyewitness News did a story on Zoo Boo at the Baltimore Zoo.

October 27: Eyewitness News did a story on Westminster Hall.

November 1: Eyewitness News did a story on High School Musical on Ice.

November 2: Eyewitness News did a story on the Landmark Theater.

November 3: Eyewitness News did a story on Port Discovery.

November 3: Eyewitness News did a story on the Maryland Zoo.

November 8: Eyewitness News did a story on Chris Cazanove who starred in My Fair Lady

November 9: Eyewitness News did a story on the Black Panther Exhibit at MICA, the Maryland Institute College of Art.

November 10: Eyewitness News did a story on the Maryland Food Bank.

November 13: Eyewitness News did a story on the Norweigan Tall Ship at the Inner Harbor.

November 15: Eyewitness News did a story on 100 years of Baltimore Magazine.

November 17: Eyewitness News did a story on the Thanksgiving Parade.

November 18: Eyewitness News did a story on the Baltimore Farmer's Market.

November 18: Eyewitness News did a story on the Baltimore Improve Group.

November 25: Eyewitness News did a story on the Table Tennis Championships.

November 25: Eyewitness News did a story on the Comtemporary Museum's Design Shop.

November 28: Eyewitness News did a story on artist Robert Florio.

November 28: Eyewitness News did a story on the Howard County Ballet.

November 29: Eyewitness News did a story on the Festival of Trains.

December 2: Eyewitness News did a story the Pratt Library's Annual Book Sale.

December 8: Eyewitness News did a story on the Flag House.

December 9: Eyewitness News did a story on the Baltimore Ballet.

December 13: Eyewitness News did a story on Theriault's Doll House.

December 16: Eyewitness News did a story on the B&O railroad train garden.

December 17: Eyewitness News did a story on musician Slim Man.

December 19: Eyewitness News did a story on jazz artist Marcus Johnson.

December 19: Eyewitness News did a story on a Gingerbread Village in Annapolis.

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on the Wise Avenue Train Garden.

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on the play Avenue Q at the Hippodrome Theatre.

December 22: Eyewitness News did a story on a poinsettia display at the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Park's Conservatory.

December 24: Eyewitness News did a story on musician Kirk Franklin.

December 29: Eyewitness News did a story on the festival of trains.

December 30: Eyewitness News did a story on Kwanzaa Family Day.

## ON TIME

October 14: Marco Merrick, a board member of the Nathan Carter Foundation and JoAnne Ford, a Carter Scholarship Recipient talk about the late Dr. Nathan Carter and his world-class Morgan State Choir. An upcoming concert will feature choir alumni and will benefit the music scholarship program.

October 21: Kai Jackson talks with Gerald Ross, the director of exhibits at the Maryland Institute College of Art about the new exhibition “Black Panthers Rank and File.” Baltimore was home to many Black Panthers and they discuss how this exhibit has a local connection.

October 28: Members of Women in Film and Video are both men and women dedicated to positioning more women in this industry. An upcoming all-day workshop targets both the professional as well as the beginner. Arlette Thomas-Fletcher and Gayle Economos tell Kai Jackson that the number of women in this industry has improved from when the organization began 20 years ago.

November 25: Business entrepreneur Reginald F. Lewis would have turned 65 this December. To honor his legacy, the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture is holding a series of public events including a one woman play featuring Lewis’s oldest daughter, birthday bash and annual gala. Dr. David Terry tells Kai Jackson about a new exhibition at the museum that compares African American made quilts to Jazz.

November 25: The Hampton National Historic Site is the National Park Service’s northern most plantation. Vince Vaise, chief ranger at the site, tells Kai Jackson about the renovations made to the Mansion and the events planned around the grand re-opening. He tells Kai why its important to preserve this part of history and accurately tell the entire story of the time period that includes slavery and its toll.

December 2: Joe Turner’s Come and Gone is the second play in the ten play series about the African American experience by playwright August Wilson. James A. Williams tells Kai Jackson about the upcoming production at CenterStage and how the play talks about the struggles of African Americans after reconstruction in the 1910’s.

December 9: The Year of the Pratt saw many significant changes to one of the country’s oldest library systems. Dr. Carla Hayden tells Kai Jackson about the redesigned Pratt logo, website and opening of the Southeast Anchor Library making it the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest branch next to the Central library. They discuss renovations to two neighborhood branches – Orleans Street and Roland Park, which opens in a week.

December 16: Ten Thousand Villages sells handcrafted items from women in developing nations. This store offers one of a kind crafts and pays the artisans fair trade value for their products. Leslie Dungee tells Kai Jackson about some of the unique items made from native materials by women who support their families from selling their art.

December 16: Larry Scott was one of Baltimore’s up and coming artists who died suddenly in November. Joining Kai Jackson to talk about the artist and his work is his widow Desiree Scott, fellow artist and founder of the Subbasement Artist Studios Jeffrey Kent and the director of the Baltimore Museum of Art, Doreen Bolger. They share personal stories of this beloved artist.

December 23: Kai Jackson talks with Anne Manning about the Baltimore Museum of Art’s Kwanzaa Family Day. They discuss the hands-on activities, dance performances and exhibits including the BMA’s African Arts Collection.

## CONSUMER

October 1: Eyewitness News did a story on a massive beef recall.

October 2-3: Eyewitness News did a story on the recall of 82-thousand plush baby rattles.

October 4: Eyewitness News did a story on how Kraft Foods is recalling white chocolate.

October 5: Eyewitness News did a story on the recall Campbell's soup.

October 6-7: Eyewitness News did a story on a ground beef recall.

October 9: Eyewitness News did a story on how the Consumer Product Safety Commission recalled a Chinese-made light fixture.

October 11: Eyewitness News did a story on SUV side impact crash tests.

October 12: Eyewitness News did a story on the recall of children's cold medicines.

October 15: Eyewitness News did a story on toxic toys.

October 17: Eyewitness News did a story on more efficient washing machines.

October 22: Eyewitness News did a story on how WalMart recalled an entire line of animal toys.

October 25: Eyewitness News did a story on the newest toys that Fisher-Price is putting on its lead list.

October 29: Eyewitness News did a story on lead paint and toys.

October 30: Eyewitness News did a story on an intense drought may increase the price of meat.

October 31: Eyewitness News did a story on the cough medicine recall.

November 1-2: Eyewitness News did a story on a frozen pizza recall.

November 4: Eyewitness News did a story on a beef recall that hit Maryland.

November 5: Eyewitness News did a story on the Food and Drug Administration being able to order mandatory recalls.

November 8: Eyewitness News did a story on the Aqua Dots recall.

November 21: Eyewitness News did a story on how many parents have questions about the safety of toys.

November 23-24: Eyewitness News did a story on a major cheese recall.

November 25-26: Eyewitness News did a story on a major beef recall.

December 3: Eyewitness News did a story on how Target recalled baby toys.

December 5: Eyewitness News did a story on a G-E microwave recall.

December 6-7: Eyewitness News did a story on how Ford recalling more than a million vehicles.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on being environmentally friendly during Christmas.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on US Airways offering employee incentives.

December 11: Eyewitness News did a story on making the "Do Not Call" registry permanent.

December 12: Eyewitness News did a story on a vaccine recall by Merck.

December 12: Eyewitness News did a story on the airline passengers' Bill of Rights.

December 13: Eyewitness News did a story on Rupert Murdoch buying the Dow Jones.

December 14: Eyewitness News did a story on federal government assistance with foreclosures.

December 17: Eyewitness News did a story on holiday tipping.

December 18: Eyewitness News did a story on consumer friendly recycling programs.

December 18: Eyewitness News did a story on the price of electricity.

December 19: Eyewitness News did a story on toy safety.

December 20: Eyewitness News did a story on Minivan bumper crash tests.

December 24: Eyewitness News did a story on last minute Christmas shopping.

December 25: Eyewitness News did a story on Toyota's car production.

December 27: Eyewitness News did a story on late tax refunds

December 27: Eyewitness News did a story on slow sales on Amazon.

December 28: Eyewitness News did a story on Sony which is no longer building projection TV's.

#### ON TIME

December 9: Kai Jackson talks about the housing foreclosure crisis with members of the Baltimore Homeownership Preservation Coalition. They discuss what homeowners can do to avoid having their homes go into foreclosure. They also discuss what potential homebuyers need to know before purchasing a home.

December 30: Kai Jackson talks with Marcellus Alexander, executive vice president of television for the NAB, National Association of Broadcasters about the switch to digital TV that occurs on February 17, 2009. He explains how senior citizens, minorities and low income persons who get their TV signal over the air will be affected the most by this transition. He discussed how people will need to purchase a converter box, get government funded coupons for the converter boxes or will need to hook up to cable or subscribe to satellite service once the switch is made.